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## NO INCREASE IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Enrolment Now Just What It Was Last Year, Counting South Richmond.

The public school enrolment is just the same as it was a year ago. The population and demands have increased, but the facilities and number of buildings have not yet increased to meet them, though plans for new buildings are now being prepared.

Superintendent J. A. C. Chandler reported to the City School Board last night a total enrolment to date of 17,772 pupils. On the same date last year there were enrolled 15,596, making an apparent gain of 1,730 on the roll of the City School Board. The enrolment of the South Richmond schools was reported as just 1,730, which offsets the reported gain.

Dr. J. W. Redway will begin a series of lectures before the teachers of the city on April 15.

The resignation of Miss Rita H. Sampson, of the manual training department, was received and accepted, and Miss Susan L. Schermerhorn was elected to fill the vacancy.

The following schools were reported as having raised funds for school libraries, and the board allocated a similar amount to each: Bellevue, Chalmers, Randolph, Armstrong, Sidney, Louisiana, and Nicholson.

A. B. Clarke presented a copy of "The White House of the Presidents" to the John Marshall High School, which was accepted by the board.

Sweetbriar College, in Nelson county, offered a scholarship in the John Marshall High School, which was accepted by the board.

The subjects of Dr. J. A. C. Chandler's sermon for this week are: "This evening at 8:15, What the Churches of America Should Do for the Jews of Poland and Hungary on the Eve of the Sabbath." The public is welcome at all services.

**Marriage License.**  
A marriage license was issued in the clerk's office of the Hunting Court yesterday to W. Haxell Tenser and Miss Gertrude T. Trevillian.

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## KNIFE IS BURIED IN NEGRO'S THROAT

Apparently Unprovoked Murder Committed in Undertaking Establishment.

SLAYER SOON CAPTURED

Caught at His Home—Witness Who Tries to Halt Murderer Is Wounded.

Apparently without the slightest provocation, Leslie Yarborough, colored, better known as "Nubly," stabbed to death yesterday evening just before 7 o'clock by Tom Harris, a young negro with a bad reputation, in the stable of W. L. Johnson, a colored undertaker doing business at 711 Brook Avenue. Harris was arrested two hours later by Detectives Walsh and Wiley as he entered the back door of his father's house, 507 St. Paul Street, and locked up in the Second Police Station. Harris was cool and inclined to be mean when arrested, but did not deny that he was responsible for the deed. His father is one of the trustees of the Commonwealth Club. Yarborough lived at 511 North Adams Street, and is said to have been considered a good negro.

There were several witnesses to the attack, and in the essential points their stories agree. Yarborough and Wiley, who worked regularly for Johnson, and occasionally drove the hearse, was in the office with several of the other employees yesterday afternoon when Harris entered as they were wrestling a pistol. It is stated that he defied any of them to put him down. One of the men named Lewis, after first asking him to leave, was forced to put him out, and got hit several times during the operation. Orders were then given that Harris should be admitted if he tried to get in again.

**Premeditation Indicated.**  
According to information gained by the police following the murder, Harris, after leaving the stable, went to a pawnshop, where he tried to purchase a pistol. Not succeeding, he bought a long knife and returned to the stable, where he again applied for admission, only to be refused. Then he went around through the carriage-room and waited for a while before trying to get in. Finally he was admitted by John W. White, Saddler, after telling him that he did not care to get in a row. As Saddler opened the door the knife was in readiness; Harris reached over Saddler's shoulder and plunged it into Yarborough's neck, severing the jugular vein and going deep into the lungs.

Harris took to his heels, followed by Saddler, who caught him in Shook's Alley. With the bloody knife still in his right hand, Harris wheeled and cut his pursuer across the knuckles. Saddler was forced to turn loose. The second stab wound was fatal.

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Meanwhile a crowd gathered in front of the undertaking establishment, where Yarborough lay dead in the office, surrounded by a pool of blood. Coroner Taylor viewed the body and decided to hold an inquest to-morrow morning.

**Quick Capture.**  
The capture was one of the easiest ever made. After looking over the decided to take another look at the man who had been shot. One of the men remained on the outside, the other rang the bell. Before any one could answer the bell, the back door was opened, and the officers entered without ceremony. Harris was walking into their arms, in spite of the fact that his mother attempted to interfere.

"Don't put your hands on me," he said to the officers, but the sight of a submitted to being searched by a police patrol was called. The knife was not found. On the way to the station he said to one of the officers, saying that the stable boy had killed him. At the station he was doubled on him. At the station he was doubled on him. At the station he was doubled on him.

**PLAY AT BARTON HEIGHTS**  
Amateur Castle Will Present "Skate Days" in Hall To-Night.  
The assembly hall in Barton Heights will be the scene of an amateur play to-night, in which part will be taken by well-known citizens. Mrs. John E. Rose has trained the cast to present "Skate Days" and it is expected that the performance will be a good one.

**Evidence Partly Heard.**  
Trial began yesterday in the Law & Equity court of the suit of John Thomas Saxe against the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company for damages in the sum of \$200 for personal injuries. The evidence was partly heard and the trial will continue this morning.

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## Heritage of Agony in Northern China

From all over Virginia come responses to the call for immediate aid for the famine-stricken people of Northern China. Men, women and children are sending in their contributions to The Times-Dispatch. Churches, Sunday schools, societies of various kinds, and their help to the cause. Small children in school have taken collections and have contributed from their little allowances.

Each day since The Times-Dispatch took up this work, one week ago, the increase has been greater, the biggest amount being reported this morning.

A picture of actual conditions in Chinkiang is presented by Libburn Merrill, M. D., of the Methodist Central Mission, in a report to the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church. It should be remembered that he tells the best, and not the worst, since the unfortunate flock into Chinkiang because of vastly better conditions there.

"At Chinkiang there are probably 40,000 refugees. A piece of straw matting, eight by eight feet, is the only shelter for a family of five or six. The thousands are gathered together in great numbers, and who are strong enough wander over the hills, pulling up the roots of weeds to use for fuel in cooking the pittance of rice they secure from the relief agencies. The suffering is terrible. The thousands of feeble babies, boys and girls, all clad in rags, if clad at all, are about you everywhere. Old women and men hobble about, leaning heavily on sticks for support, or they lie by the roadside, and you can see them savagely at you, with a mute appeal which turns the heart cold."

"You walk about the border of the camp; your eyes are following the movements of a naked child, who is under, weeping convulsively, and you stop over the dead body of a three or four-year-old boy! O God, what a heritage of agony has fallen on these little ones of China! One dollar can save a life."

The following contributions were received yesterday:

M. H. Hayes, Wise, N. C.	\$ 2.00
M. E. B.	5.00
Scotchmen, Petersburg, Va.	\$3.50
Kenbridge Inc.	10.00
C. W. Tompkins & Son, Guilford, Va.	1.00
William G. Reynolds, Center Cross, Va.	1.00
Cash	5.00
Mrs. E. D.	1.00
Mrs. E. J. Nolting	10.00
Miss Margaret Nolting	5.00
Cash	15.00
T. O. Troy, Amherst, Va.	5.00
E. G. D.	2.00
M. G. D.	1.00
A. E. D.	1.00
C. A. Lacy	1.00
Cash, Avon, Va.	15.00
Frances and Louise Glassell, Sewing Green, Va.	6.00
Miss Winston's Primary School pupils	10.75
Radford, Va.	10.00
Miss Norma Stewart	15.00
John A. Ruffin, Westover, Va.	1.00
Mrs. E. V. Jones, Westover, Va.	1.00
Miss E. C. Harrison, Westover, Va.	1.00
Miss E. M. Harrison, Westover, Va.	1.00
Miss E. R. Ruffin, Westover, Va.	7.00
Engene Cummins, Natural Bridge, Va.	1.00
Mrs. Fleming Breese, Gordonsville, Va.	2.00
Mrs. William C. Baker, Gordonsville, Va.	1.00
Cash	1.00
Southside	1.00
J. T. C.	1.00
H. R.	5.00
S. H. B.	7.50
B. T. D.	5.00
T. N. D.	1.00
Cash	2.00
Miss G. B. Wormley, Enfield, Va.	1.00
Mrs. W. B. Wormley, Enfield, Va.	1.00
Miss L. C. W. Enfield, Va.	1.00
312 North Harrison Street	1.00
Mrs. W. M. Jones, Crofton, Va.	1.00
Mrs. W. R. Cooke, Crofton, Va.	1.00
G. L. E. Almond, Va.	1.00

Yesterday's total \$272.78  
Previously reported 504.95  
Total to date \$777.73

**BOSTON FORBIDS 'THE EASIEST WAY'**

Play Recently Withdrawn in Richmond Is Stopped by Mayor Fitzgerald.

Following the lead of the Mayor of Richmond, Mayor Fitzgerald, of Boston, has forbidden the further production in that city of "The Easiest Way."

While no order was issued in Richmond when the play was announced, it became known that Mayor Richardson had such action under consideration, and the engagement was withdrawn.

It is stated that Mayor Fitzgerald had some agents in the audience, who heard the play on Monday night, took notes and made a report.

The Mayor read the lines and stopped the show. A statement telegraphed from Boston was to the effect that Richmond was the only city where the play had been objected to.

In Boston "The Easiest Way" was being produced for the week at the Hollis Street Theatre, one of the largest amusement houses in the city.

Miss Starr was astonished when she heard of the ban. She said: "It is perfectly ridiculous. The play points a strong moral and shows the difference between right and wrong. The Mayor ought to suspend judgment until he has seen the play himself."

"The Easiest Way" was written by Eugene Walter, author of "The Wolf" and other well known plays, and was produced in New York the first time in January, 1909. It ran for the rest of the season and all of the following dramatic year at the Stuyvesant Theatre. Miss Frances Starr played the leading role.

Eugene Walter said of the Boston ban: "The only reason Boston can have for stopping the play is that it is the wickedest city in the country, and the story of the play comes too closely home to them."

## POLICE POINTS DISGUSTS BOARD

Commissioners Resolve That Solicitation Will Injure Officers.

RICHARDSON DISMISSED

Charges Are Sustained—Seven New Men Go to Washington Ward.

Charges of conduct unbecoming an officer of the Police Department were sustained at the meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners last night against Percy V. Richardson, and he was formally dismissed from the force. E. L. Kidd, of Marshall Ward, was elected to succeed him. The charges against Richardson were made Wednesday morning and he was immediately suspended. Acting under orders of the board, Chief of Police Werner served the notice of his final dismissal last night. Policeman Kidd will go on duty with the rest of the new men on April 1.

Being thoroughly tired of petty politics, which has been so prevalent of late in regard to men on the force and applying for membership, the board passed the following resolution for the information of the public, especially those over-industrious ones who day after day pester the commissioners for their favorites who fail would win the club:

"Resolved, That the police force be informed that the board has grown disgusted and wearied with the constant solicitation of citizens outside of the department for promotion, advancement, transfer and assignment of members of the police force, and it serves notice on the force that in future no solicitation will be entertained against officers in whose behalf these efforts are employed. A recommendation from officers of the department will have more effect with the board than any outside influence."

An increase of seven men was allowed in Washington Ward. This, with the present force, makes the number of men employed in that ward fourteen.

The case of Policeman-Elect Conway, who, it is alleged, represented his age, was postponed to a future meeting of the board.

NEW CAR BARN

Richmond and Henrico Railway Company seeks to condemn property.

Contrary to what was reported in the White & Son by the Richmond and Henrico Railway Company for the erection of street car barns in Fulton. The complete plans for the barns call for an area of about 25,000. The work is to be completed in ninety days. The expected that the first shipment of cars for the new company will reach here within a few weeks.

The Richmond and Henrico Railway Company is seeking permission to condemn certain property in Fulton from Carter to Fulton Street, for the construction of the Fulton viaduct. There are said to be about thirty-three property owners who will be affected in the suit. The present tracks of the company are on the fifth and Marshall Streets, from which point it is proposed to carry them on a winding roadway to the Government Road and thence by viaduct to Fulton.

GLASS HERE NEXT FRIDAY

Congressman V. Open Campaign at Academy of Music.

It is announced that the Academy of Music has been engaged for Friday evening, March 24, for the opening of the territorial campaign of Congressman Carter. The speaker will be the speaker here.

Congressman Jones will deliver his first campaign speech at Norfolk on Wednesday, March 25.

**Finance Committee Called.**  
The Council Committee on Finance will meet to-night at 8 o'clock in executive session to take up a number of important questions which were a public hearing last Tuesday night.

**OFFICE BUILDING WILL BE ERECTED**  
Buildings at Tenth and Capitol Being Torn Down—Other Developments.

Work was begun yesterday demolishing the old buildings at tenth and Capitol Streets, preparatory to the erection of a new five-story office building for the Life Insurance Company of Virginia. The territorial recently acquired the Wolverson Hotel property, at Tenth and Broad Streets, which is a frontage of an entire block on Tenth Street, opposite the City Hall, and about one-half of the block running through from Broad to Capitol Street. The offices of the company have been moved into the building fronting on Broad Street—the Wolverson Hotel and the old City Hall.

The Capitol and the old City Hall building will be erected first and occupied, after which the Broad Street building will be constructed. Detailed plans for the building have not yet been filed, but are understood to be in course of preparation, permission having been given for clearing the site at the Capitol Street end of the block.

Wires removed all telegraph and telephone wires and light connections yesterday, and other preparations made for tearing away the old structures.

Plans were filed yesterday in the office of Building Inspector Beck for the erection of a four-story brick store building at the southwest corner of Tenth and Broad Streets. The lot is a two-story frame building, now the only frame structure in the business section of the city. The lot is being sold at once. The building is being erected by Phil Harris, executor of the estate of Ash Harris, and will cost about \$25,000. The lot is regarded from recent sales in the vicinity, as one of the most valuable corners in Richmond.

Plans were also filed yesterday for the new Arents Public School building, to be erected by the city at the corner of China and Pine Streets, on a lot donated to the city by Miss Grace Arents. The building will cost \$30,000. It was reported to the School Board that the school work now being conducted by the St. Andrew's Association, largely supported by Miss Arents, would be discontinued, and the erection of a school in the neighborhood was regarded as a necessity, in view of the fact that the School Board had been called on next session to provide for a large number of children now educated privately.

Several other plans are pending for building operations of varying importance.

## Gans-Rady Company's Friday Bargain Sale OFFERS TO-DAY

FOR MEN—

At \$0.75—Spring Top Coats, worth \$16.00.  
At \$0.75—Long Overcoats, worth up to \$20.00.  
At \$2.50—Men's Trousers, worth up to \$6.00.  
At \$1.25—Men's Suits, worth up to \$25.00.  
At \$1.00—Men's Extra Vests, worth up to \$5.00.  
At \$1.00—Soft and Stiff Hats, worth \$1 and \$1.25.  
At 25c—Silk Four-in-Hands, worth 50c and 75c.  
At 50c—Soft and Stiff Bosom Shirts, worth \$1 and \$1.25.  
At 70c—Soft Bosom Shirts, worth \$1.50 and \$2.00.  
At 50c—Night Shirts, worth \$1.00 and \$1.25.  
At 95c—Pajamas, worth \$1.50 and \$2.00.  
At \$1.00—Eight Pairs Half Hose, worth 25c pair.

FOR BOYS—

At \$5.00—Tan Raincoats, worth \$12.50.  
At \$2.00—Knee Pants Suits, worth \$8.50 and \$10.00.  
At 70c—Extra Knee Pants, worth \$1.50.  
At 25c—Boys' Caps, worth 50c.  
At 15c—Bathgown Shirts and Drawers, worth 50c.  
At \$4.00—Children's Spring Heifers, worth \$7.50.

## BIG WAREHOUSE PROPERTY IS SOLD MEMORIAL ENDS PROSPEROUS YEAR

Davenport Building to Be Replaced by Modern Business Structure.

For the consideration of \$30,000, to be paid as soon as the papers have passed through the proper legal channels, the Davenport Tobacco Warehouse, at Fourteenth and Dock Streets, passes from the Isaac Davenport estate and becomes the property of the Watkins-Cottrell Hardware Company.

The deal was put through by Richeson & Crutcher, who have been acting for the Davenport interests.

Approximately, the building covers a little more than half a city block, and is one of the most valuable properties in the city. Lines of the Southern Railway run close to it on two sides, while the eastern doors open on the dock, making it most accessible both to rail and water transportation.

The Watkins-Cottrell Company has not yet formulated any definite plans as to the development of the property, but it is known that it will be used exclusively for the company's business, which has outgrown its present quarters.

As soon as arrangements can be made for the removal of the present tenant, the old building will be removed and a modern structure, several stories high, will be constructed. The entire business of the company will then be moved under one roof, with the exception of the salesrooms, which will remain on the main floor. The property was purchased in 1875 by Isaac Davenport, and has remained a part of the estate since that time.

Twenty-five years ago the building, as it now stands, was erected, and during that time has been occupied continuously by the company.

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It is pointed out that the charity work of the hospital, beginning to receive merited recognition.

**Financial Statement.**  
The expenses of the hospital for last year were \$12,894.51, while the sum collected from patients was \$61,695.22. Interest and cash discounts amounted to \$1,684.41, while the income from the sale of refuse was \$12.21. This aggregated a total income of \$64,919.99, leaving a difference between the expenses and earnings of \$7,956.61.

It was estimated that the difference last year would amount to \$10,000, but the operations of the private hospital secured a better result than had been anticipated. The deficit represents the cost of the charity work of the hospital.

The charity work last year amounted to 7,537 days, and because of profits for the collection of the hospital was able to provide every ward with charity patients, including all professional services, at a cost to it of \$1.05 a day for each patient.

**Donations Received.**  
To meet the cost of the charity work, money was received from the following sources: Sundry subscriptions to maintenance fund, \$285.32; special subscription fund, \$2,707.50; donation fund, \$327.14; interest on endowment, \$221.85; city of Richmond, appropriation, \$500; children's fund, \$1,450; collection boxes, \$155.55; auxiliary concert, \$1,135; guarantee fund, \$3,600, making a total of \$7,187.68, practically covering the expenses of the charity wards.

With this state of affairs the hospital is confident that it will be able to expand its charity work, and will extend its benefits to all worthy cases applying for treatment.

The following officers were elected last night: Dr. Lewis C. Boshier, president; Eppa Hutton, Jr., vice-president; Dr. Charles R. Robins, secretary. These officers with the following, compose the board of directors: Dr. D. J. Coleman, E. L. Benish, Dr. John P. Davidson, Dr. J. S. Horsley and Dr. George Ben Johnston.

**Discuss Child Problems.**  
A meeting of the child welfare committee was held yesterday in the office of Governor Mann, at which was discussed the best method of public meetings to be held by the organization at the City Auditorium in May, when a State association will be formed. The meeting yesterday was addressed by several citizens interested in the work for the reclamation and protection of children.

**Folks an Early Bird.**  
City Collector Frank W. Cunningham began to receive license money yesterday, and the first citizen to call and settle was Attorney K. C. Folkes, a member of the Senate from Richmond. Professional and business men have until the end of April to pay up.

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